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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

Mail Stop Amendment Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated October 20, 2005, please consider the following.

Amendments to the claims are presented on page 2. Remarks are presented on page 12.

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